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SUBJ: EASTPORT REFINERY

POUCHED AS INFO TO ALL AMCONSULS CANADA

- 1. OTTAWA CITIZEN ON FEBRUARY 16 PUBLISHED ARTICLE ON OP/ED PAGE ENTITLED "CANADA COULD FACE MAJOR OIL SPILL PERIOD." IT FOCUSES ON PITTSTON COMPANY EFFORTS TO BUILD REFINERY IN EASTPORT.
- 2. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, PITTSTON HAS ALREADY GONE BACK TO STATE OF MAINE AUTHORITIES AND REQUESTED AMENDMENT TO ORIGINAL SET OF CONDITIONS PLACED ON REFINERY DEVELOPMENT. SO FAR, HOWEVER, IT HAS NOT ASKED FOR ABANDONMENT OF THE CONDITION THAT CANADIAN APPROVAL MUST BE OBTAINED. THIS PRESUMABLY WOULD BE NEXT STEP.
- 3. ARTICLE CONCLUDES BY POINTING OUT THAT IF CANADIAN CONDITION IS DROPPED AND PITTSTON MEETS OTHER CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY MAINE, CONSTRUCTION OF REFINERY COULD BRING GOC INTO DIRECT CONFLICT WITH U.S. OVER STATUS OF WATERS OF HEAD HARBOR PASSAGE.
- 4. COMMENT: EMBASSY WOULD BE INTERESTED TO KNOW IF UNCLASSIFIED

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ALLEGATIONS OF ARTICLE ARE CORRECT AND IF PITTSTON, IN FACT, HAS REQUESTED AMENDMENT TO MAINE'S CONDITIONS. ARTICLE BY POUCH TO EUR/CAN. ENDERS

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